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SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES IN DJIBOUTI

REF: A. STATE 43295 (NOTAL; B. GENEVA 2051

1. INFORMATION CONTAINED PARA 1, REF A HAS BEEN PASSED TO
UNHCR.

2. AS CONCERNS PARA 4, REF A, MISSION PUZZLED OVER UN-
CERTAINTY AS TO UNHCR INTENTIONS WITH RESPECT TO FUNDING
OF TENT PURCHASE, ON BASIS OF PRESENTATION IN MACE LETTER
(REF B). FINAL PARAGRAPH OF LETTER CLEARLY STATES THAT
UNHCR HOPEFUL USAID WOULD MAKE AVAILABLE "SEPARATE FUNDS"
FOR PROCURING AND SHIPPING TENTS REQUESTED, AND CITES
UNHCR 1978 PROGRAM FUND SHORTFALL OF \$22 MILLION. THIS
POINT IS ALSO MADE IN PARA 2D OF REF B. UNHCR HAS STATED
IT IS NOW HOPEFUL THAT IT WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN TENTS
AS A GIFT FROM BRITISH, WITH POSSIBLE SUPPLEMENT FROM
SWEDISH SOURCE. THEY DO NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY, HOWEVER,
THAT ADDITIONAL INFLOW OF REFUGEES TO DJIBOUTI AS A RESULT
OF PRESSURES AS FIGHTING APPROACHES FRONTIER, MAY CREATE
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NEED FOR ADDITIONAL SHELTERS.

3. FYI: UNHCR REPS WERE SOMEWHAT TAKEN ABACK OVER OFDA
FIGURE OF \$150,000 FOR PROCUREMENT AND DELIVERY OF TENTS,
I.E., \$600 PER TENT. THEY STATED TO MISSOFF THAT THEY HAD
PROCURED COTTON TENTS WITH DOUBLE ROOF AND FLOOR COVER
FROM "ESBEE" FACTORY IN BOMBAY FOR LESS THAN \$200 APIECE,

WITH COMMERCIAL AIR DELIVERY AT \$50 TO \$70, DEPENDING
UPON WHETHER DESTINATION WAS LEBANON OR ALGERIA. ACCOR-
DING TO UNCHR THESE TENTS WERE EMINENTLY SATIS-
FACTORY, TO EXTENT THAT LEBANESE GOVERNMENT PROCURED
ADDITIONAL ONES FROM ITS OWN RESOURCES FOR DISPLACED
PERSONS IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. END FYI.

4. REGARDING REFERENCT TO UN HIGH-LEVEL MISSION TO DJI-
BOUTI IN SECOND PARA OF MACE LETTER (REF B), UNHCR DEPUTY
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS JACQUES CUENOD DEPARTS GENEVA
MARCH 2 TO JOIN MISSION WHICH, HE STATES, WILL BE HEADED
BY UN ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL GOUNDRAY (CANADIAN CIT).
CUENOD SAYS MISSION IS SCHEDULED TO CONDUCT ITS
BUSINESS THROUGH FOLLOWING WEEK.
VANDEN HEUVEL

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